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In re Application of:

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For: Connection for Resilient
Application of Torque and
Weight to a Drill Bit

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2003, applicants desire to amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the recitation of all claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to Claims 103 and 109** are reflected in the recitation of claims.

Claims 1-92 have previously been cancelled. Claims 93-115 have been added in a preliminary amendment accompanying this continuing prosecution application. New Claims 116-121 are added by this amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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